

REMARKS

Applicant understands from the telephonic interview of October 6, 2005 with the Examiner that claims 1, 3-14, and 16-19 as presented in the Response dated July 20, 2005 are allowable. Claims 2, 15, 19 and 32 were cancelled in the Response. Currently, claims 20 to 31, 33 and 34 remain objected to.

To make remaining claims 20 to 31 and 33 to 34 allowable, Applicant submits proposed amendments to claims 20 and 30. Briefly, proposed amendments to claims 20 and 30 incorporate features from allowed claim 1. Claims 21 and 31 are proposed to be cancelled. An amendment is proposed for claim 25 to make its elements consistent with proposed amendments in claim 20.

First, to correct a grammatical error, Applicant requests that the Examiner amend Claim 1 as noted above to replace the “,” with a -- ; -- at the end of its first step.

As Applicant understands that claim 1 is allowable, Applicant submits that if all aspects of claim 1 are incorporated with appropriate grammatical changes into claims 20 and 30, then claims 20 and 30 should also be allowable. In view of proposed amendments to claim 20 to delete the element “said segment” [sic], a further proposed amendment is made to claim 25 to delete the same element therefrom.

Applicant understand that Examiner is making an additional objection to claim 30 based on Section 101. Applicant proposes to further amend claim 30 to include in its preamble the phrase “embodied on a computer readable medium”, as noted.

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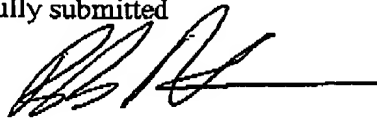
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No new subject matter is provided with the proposed amendments. Applicant submits that the proposed amendments to the claims as provided herein would place remaining claims 20, 22 to 31 and 33 to 34 in condition for allowance. Applicant earnestly solicits that the Examiner accepts these proposed amendments and enter them via an Examiner's amendment.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to discuss this case further, if necessary.

Respectfully submitted



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